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Please delete the present Abstract of the Disclosure.

Please add the following new Abstract of the Disclosure:

The print start position, in a predetermined direction, of a medium to be printed is determined with high precision and efficiency. A printing apparatus causes the detection means to be positioned on one side in the movement direction; causes the carrying means to carry the medium to be printed in a predetermined direction up to a detection position where the detection means detects the medium to be printed; and when an upper end, among an upper right end and an upper left end of the medium to be printed, that is on a side opposite from a side where the detection means is positioned is leading by at least a set amount at the detection position, causes the detection means to move to the other side opposite from the one side in the movement direction, then causes the carrying means to carry the medium to be printed from the detection position in a direction opposite from the predetermined direction, then causes the medium to be printed to be carried in the predetermined direction up to the detection position where the

detection means detects the medium to be printed, and then causes the medium to be printed to be carried by a predetermined amount in the predetermined direction from the detection position.